



COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES
September 15, 2008
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The meeting of the Committee on Committees was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present were Chair Leigh Duffy, members Bruce Clouette and Gene Nesbitt .
The minutes of the August 13, 2008 meeting were approved as presented.

Ms. Duffy will create a protocol for the process of becoming a committee member, including soliciting people for the committees, applying for the committee and accepting the committee appointment. An interview tool will also be created and emailed around to members for approval to begin using for the Quality of Life committee applicant screening.

Committee on Committee will do the interviews for new committee members. Council members are welcome to be present at the interviews.

Mr. Nesbitt recommended adding two more members to the Quality of Life committee to include 1 landlord, 1 homeowner, 1 student and 2 at large members. Leigh will send an amendment to the resolution to Matt for the next council meeting. Dates to set up interviews for the QOL committee were chosen but will have to be confirmed by all committee members. They are 9/24 6-7:30 p, 9/27 10-12a, 10/1 7-8:30. Ms. Duffy will send out an email. Once the dates are confirmed all applicants will be contacted to set up 15-minute interviews.

The following recommendations by Mr. Nesbitt will be acted upon: Create a policy that all committees will have 3 year staggered terms with a maximum of 3 consecutive terms and to examine the possibility of combining the 5 appeals boards. Ms. Duffy will contact Matt to consult.

The Committee would like clarification on the Membership of WINCOG from Matt. Is the alternate position legislated to be the town manager? What is the role of the Wincog Planning Committee? Does it still function? Clarification is also needed as to the status and role of the Clean Energy committee?

The Committee will ask Mary Stanton if she can call Mike Kurland to see if he wishes to be re appointed to the Eastern Highlands Health District. She will also pull the enabling legislation for the Personnel Appeals Board.

Ms. Duffy will email the Mayor to ask about re-appointing Paul Aho on the Windham

Region Transit District.

The Committee reviewed application of Joe Blyskal application. Ms. Duffy will follow up.

The Committee will bring Frank Musiek forward for recommendation to the continue serving on the Recreation Advisory Board at next Town Council meeting.

The Committee will look into assisting committees on possible consolidation. Ms. Duffy will contact Sean Grunwald to consult on social service related committees and their requirements. Also to ask what is the membership number for the Mansfield Advocates for Children Council?

Town Staff needs to be updated on the changes in committees and communications about committee business. Current town website did not have the new Quality of Life committee information on the front of the page. Gene spoke to Matt who rectified the situation.

Mary Stanton, Town Clerk